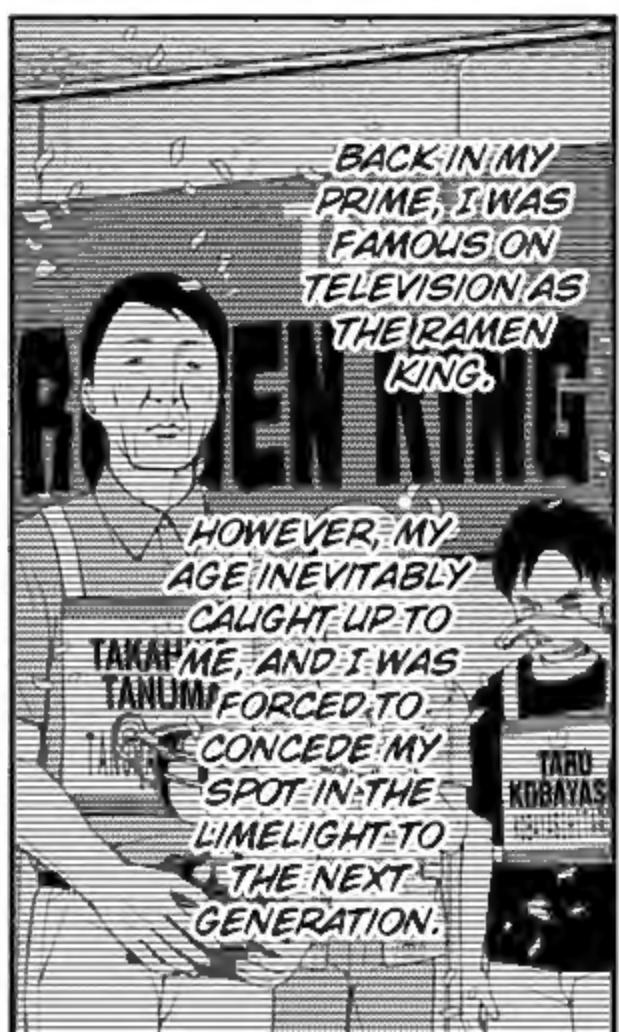
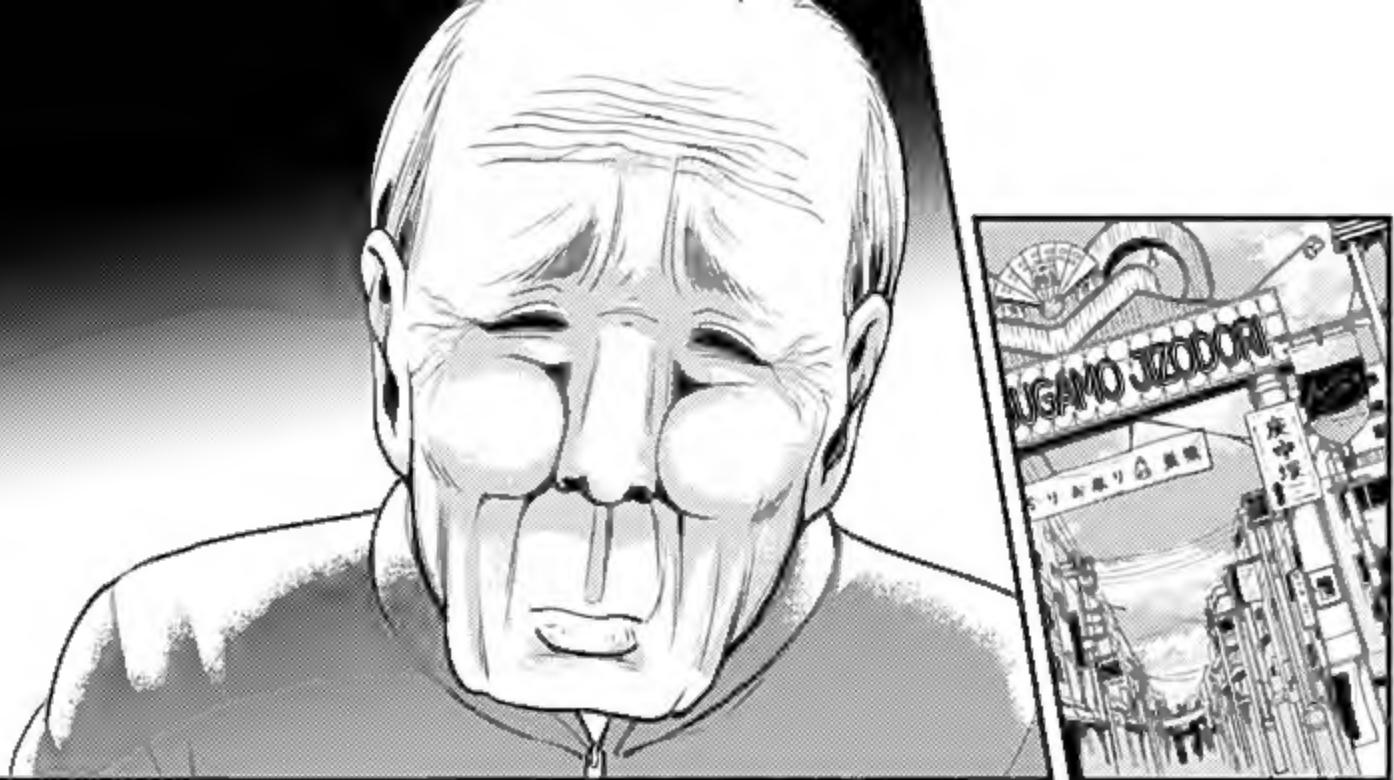
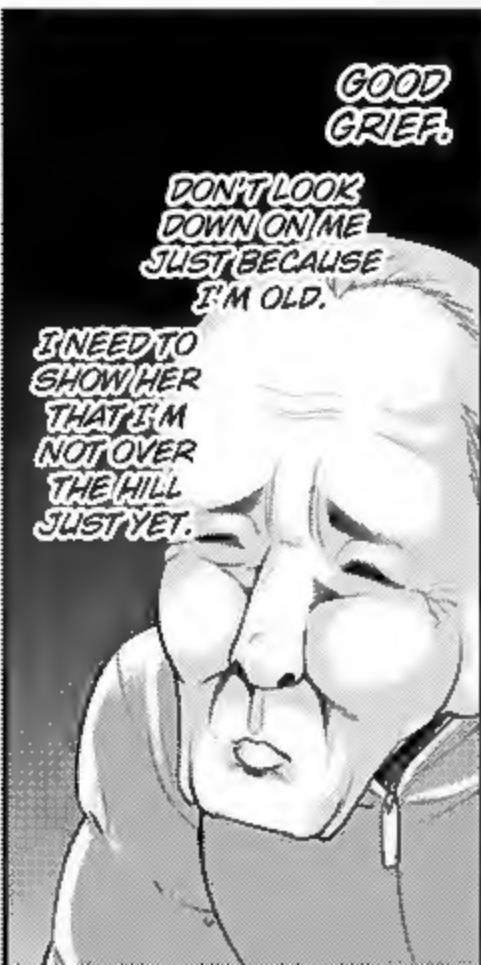
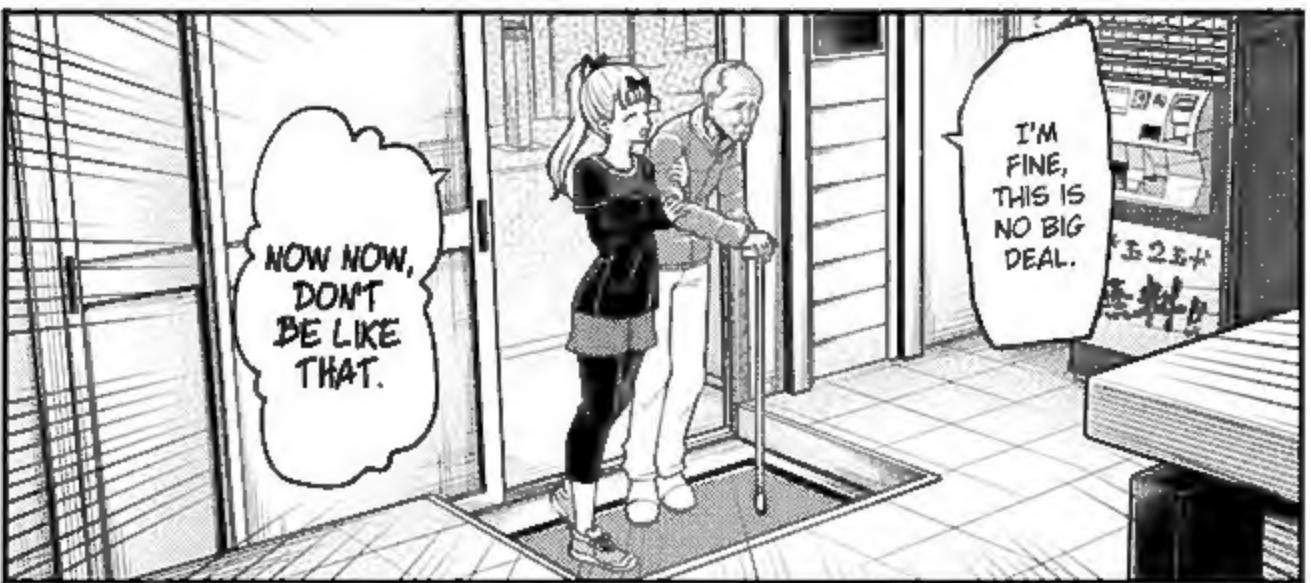
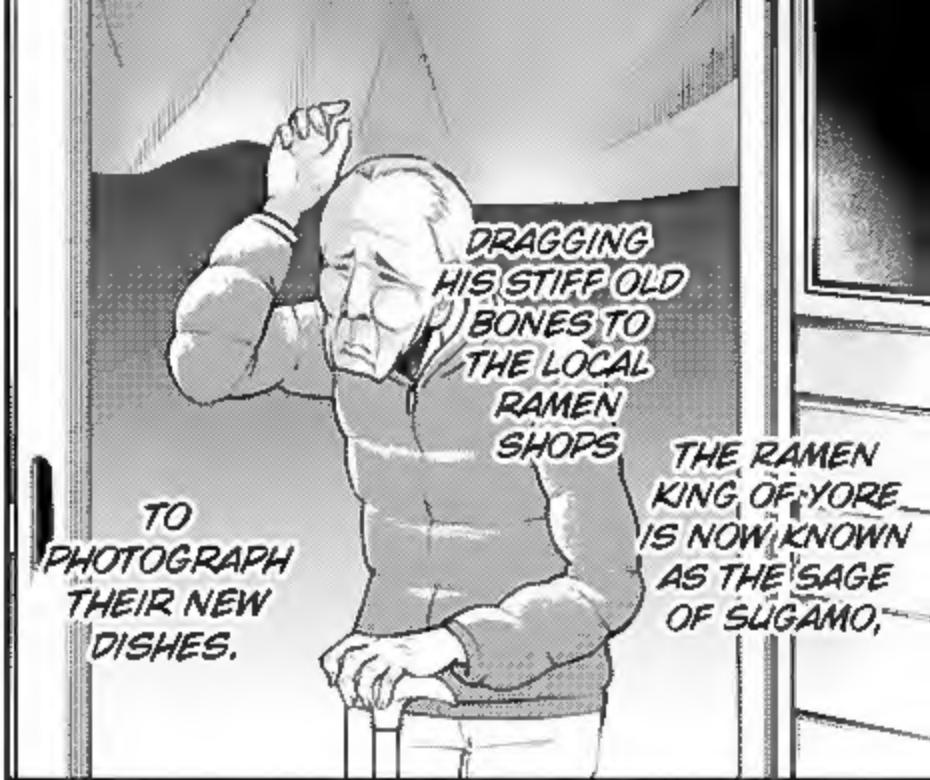


FUJIWARA'S  
WINTER BREAK!  
FIRST UP,  
SOMETHING SHE  
HASN'T DONE  
SINCE SUMMER  
BREAK...





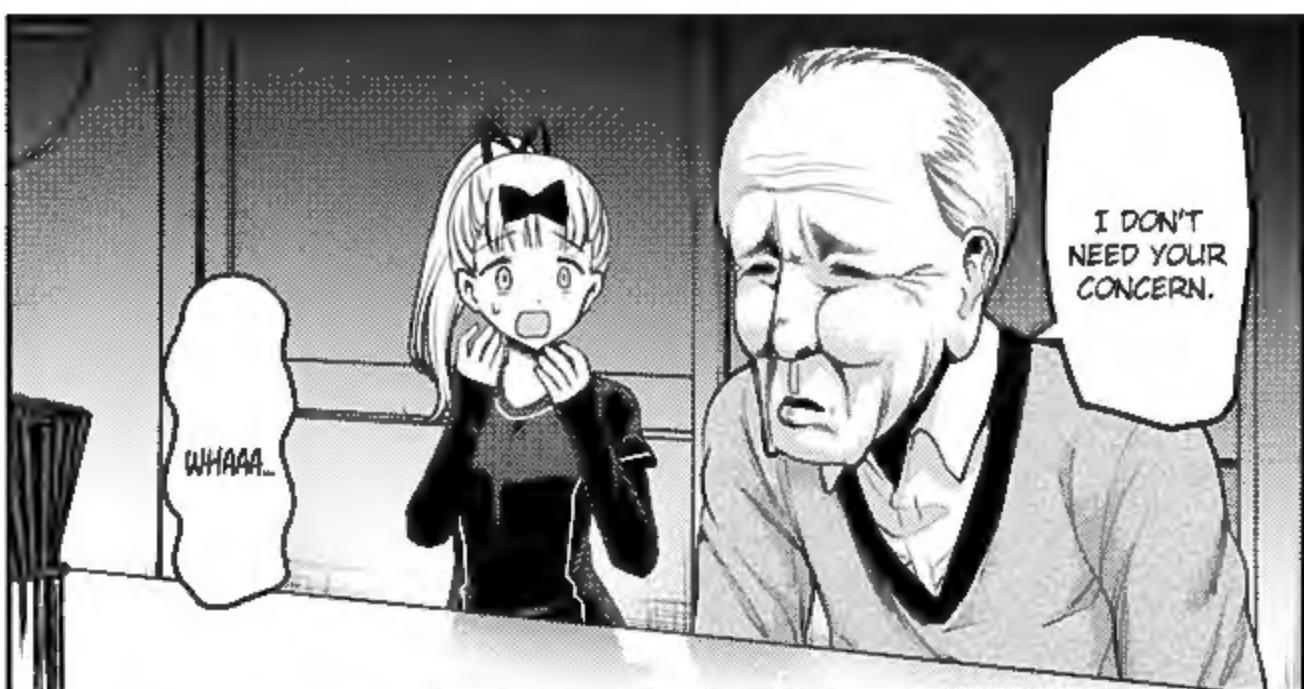
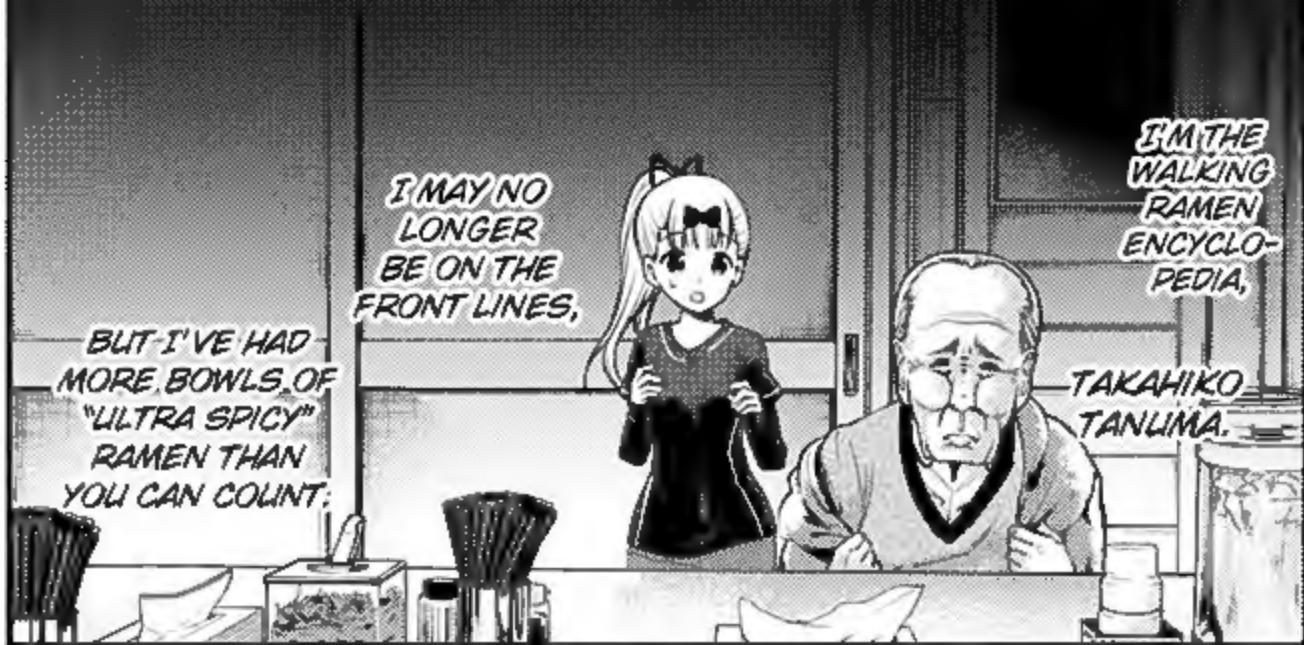




I'LL TAKE  
ONE ULTRA  
SPICY  
RAMEN.

LET'S  
SEE  
HERE  
...

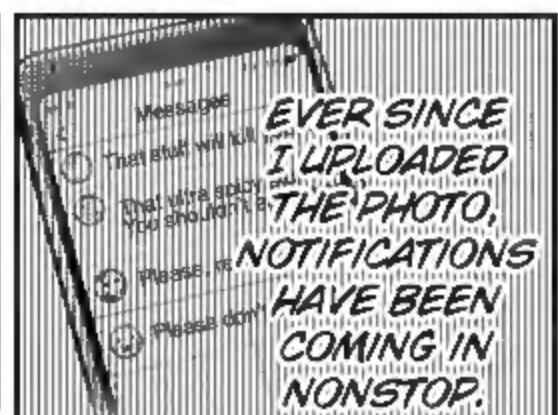








ALTHOUGH  
THE SAGE  
HAD EATEN  
COUNTLESS  
BOWLS OF  
ULTRA SPICY  
RAMEN IN HIS  
LIFETIME.



TO BETTER  
UNDERSTAND,  
LET US FIRST  
REVIEW THE  
MODERN  
HISTORY  
OF "ULTRA  
SPICY"!





AND  
IN THE  
2000S,  
IT WAS  
KOREAN  
FOOD.

IN  
THE 90S,  
IT WAS  
ETHNIC  
FOOD.



IN 1986,  
"ULTRA  
SPICY" WAS  
SELECTED AS  
THE WORD  
OF THE  
YEAR!

SECOND PRIZE  
ULTRA  
SPICY

THE FIRST  
ULTRA SPICY  
BOOM WAS IN  
THE MID-1980S,  
WHEN THE  
SPREAD OF  
MEXICAN FOOD  
INTRODUCED  
SPICINESS TO  
THE MAIN-  
STREAM.



WAS  
CREATED BY  
ADDING LARGE  
AMOUNTS OF  
STRONG CHILI  
POWDER.



THE ULTRA-  
SPICINESS  
FROM THESE  
ERAS THAT  
THE SAGE WAS  
FAMILIAR  
WITH



GIVING  
RISE TO A  
GENERATION  
GAP IN THE  
WORLD OF  
ULTRA-  
SPICINESS!

IN ESSENCE,  
THERE ARE  
TWO ERAS OF  
ULTRA-SPICINESS,  
"BEFORE HABANERO"  
AND "AFTER  
HABANERO".



300,000  
SCOVILLE  
HEAT UNITS



THE  
HABANERO  
KICKED OFF A  
NEW WAVE OF  
ULTRA SPICINESS  
WHICH PUT  
THE FOCUS  
ON SCOVILLE  
UNITS!



HOWEVER,  
TIMES HAVE  
CHANGED!



THE  
VERY MEANING OF  
"ULTRA SPICY" WAS  
TURNED ON ITS HEAD  
BY REVOLUTIONARY  
VARIETIES OF PEPPER  
SUCH AS THE GHOST  
PEPPER AND THE  
DRAGON'S BREATH.



2,480,000  
SCOVILLE  
HEAT UNITS

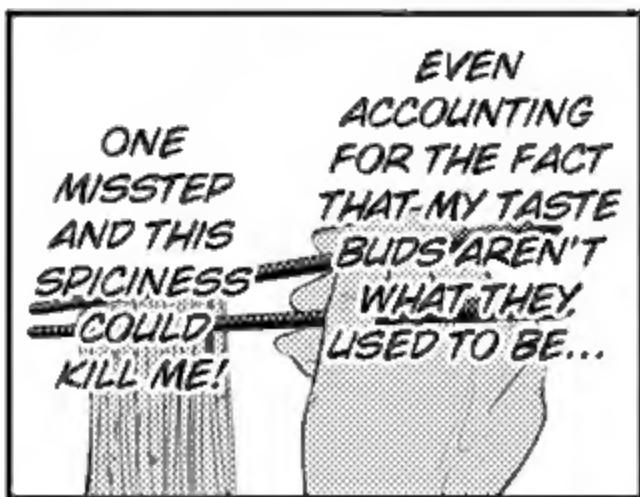


THIS IS  
COMPLETELY  
UNFAMILIAR  
TERRITORY  
FOR THE  
RETIRED  
SAGE!



IT'S  
60 TIMES  
SPICIER THAN  
ANYTHING  
THE SAGE  
HAS EXPERIENCED!

THE RAMEN  
THESE TWO  
ARE EATING  
IS MADE WITH  
A CAROLINA  
REAPER BASE!



ONE  
MISSSTEP  
AND THIS  
SPICINESS  
COULD  
KILL ME!

EVEN  
ACCOUNTING  
FOR THE FACT  
THAT MY TASTE  
BUDS AREN'T  
WHAT THEY  
USED TO BE...



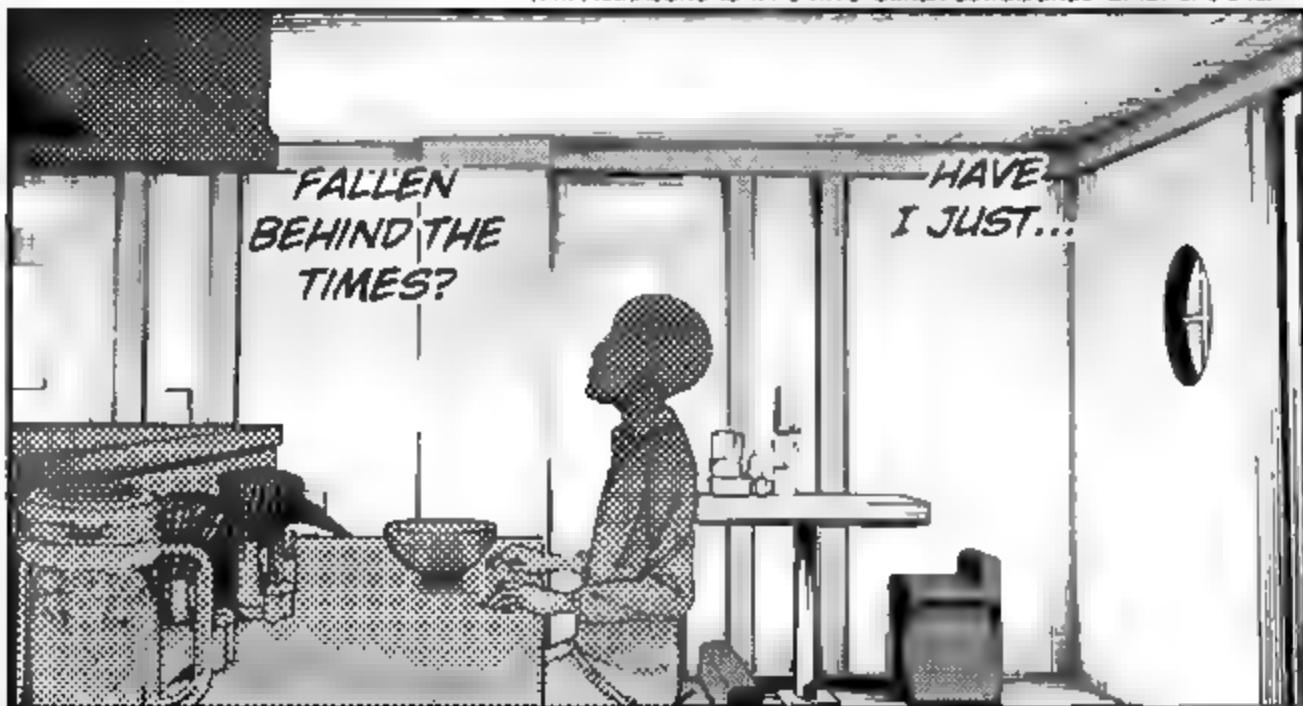
DON'T  
OVERDO IT,  
MISTER.



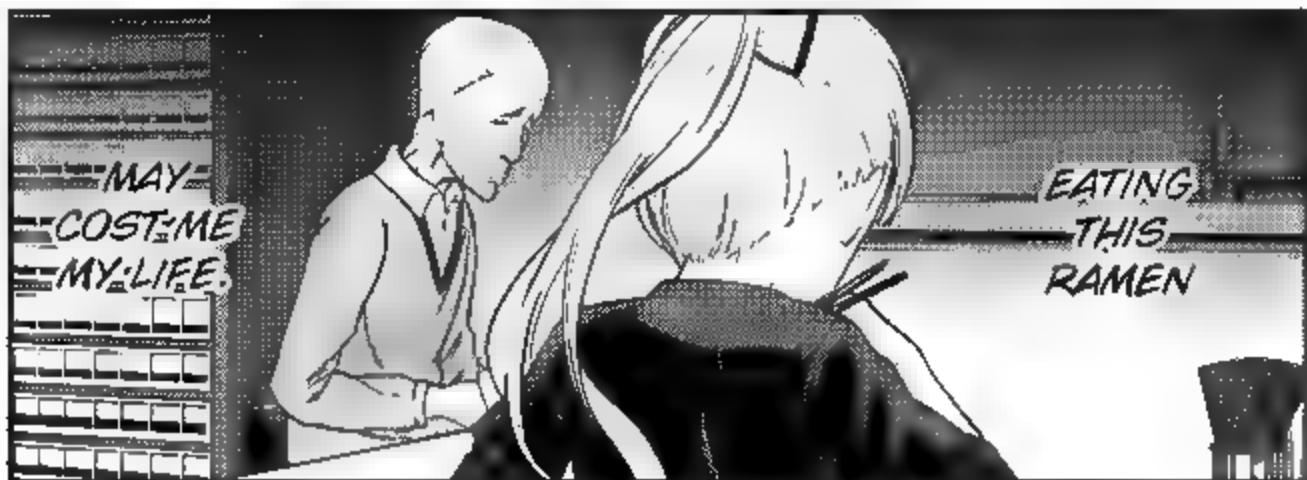
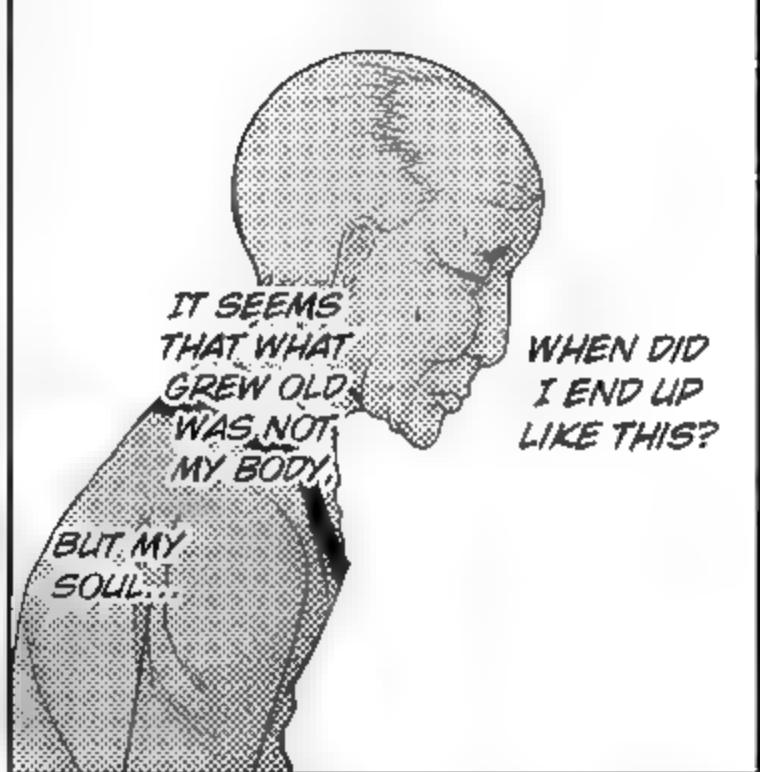




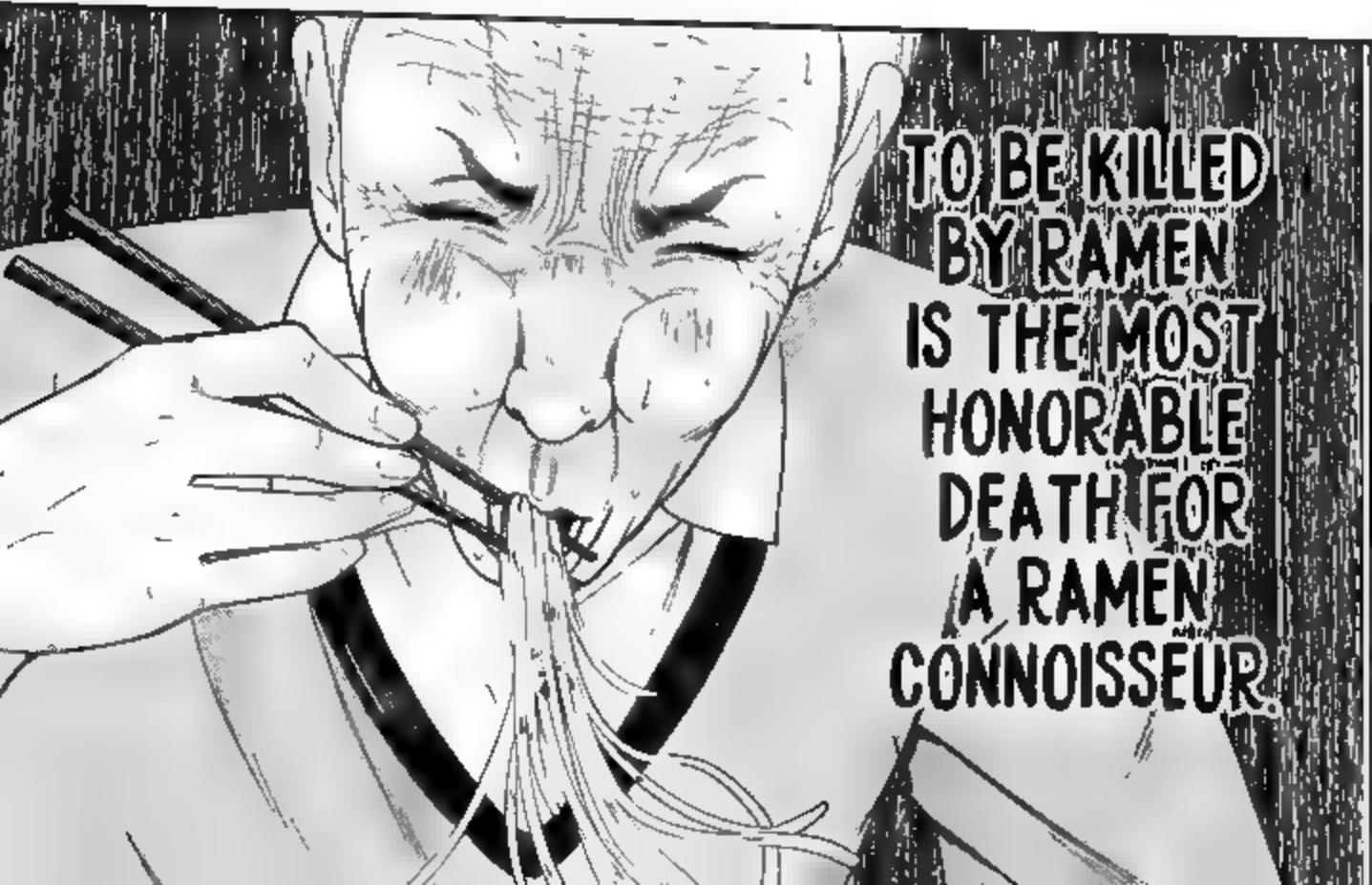
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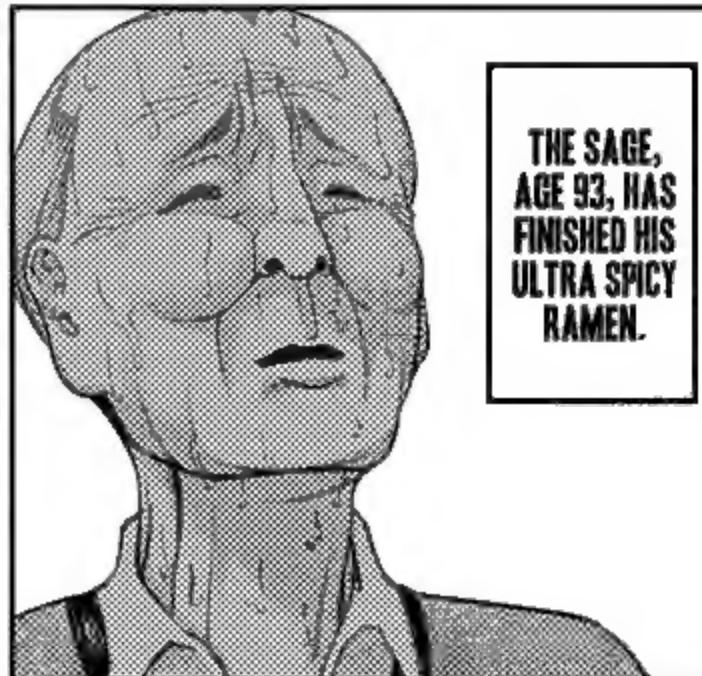






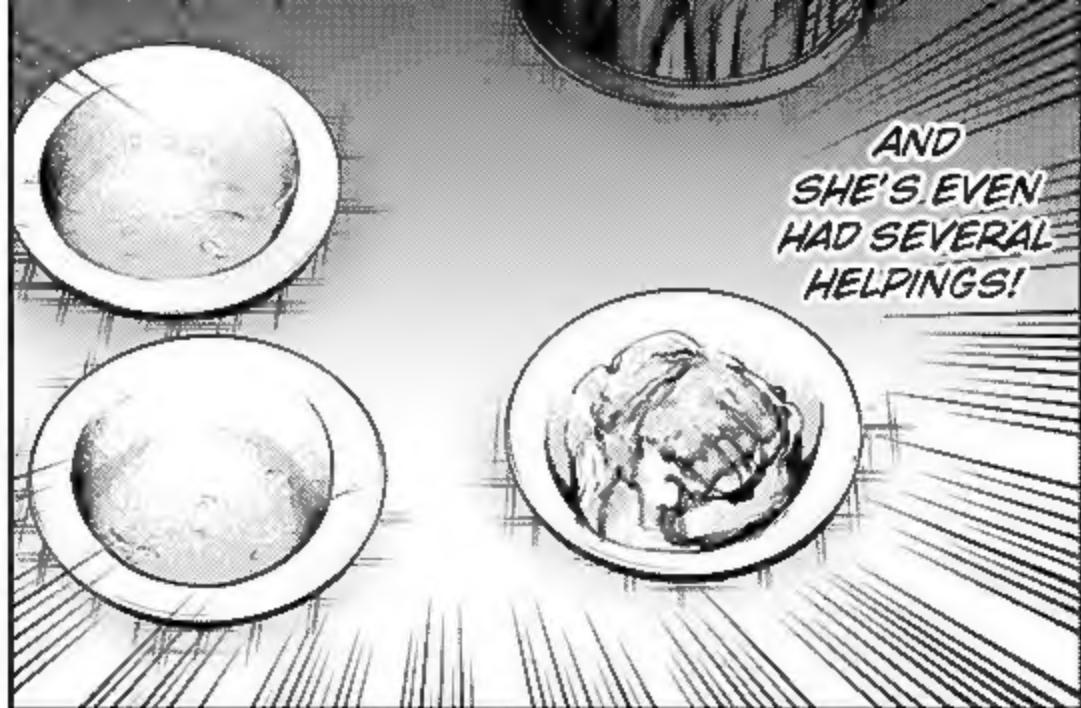
BUT...





THE SAGE,  
AGE 93, HAS  
FINISHED HIS  
ULTRA SPICY  
RAMEN.









JAI  
MINIS  
BOX

IN JOINT  
WITH:

FANS  
SCANS

MOEGAMISAMA

TRANSLATOR

MIKANATSU

PROOFREADER

EOS CLEANER

ALEXSPX, BOUYA, EOS & MIT5UKI

REDRAWER

RAWS

HEISENBERG

ANGOLX & HENRY

TYPESETTER

MIKANATSU

QUALITY

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